

# 2011 Military Health System Conference

## Robotic Remote-Presence Readiness Training

*The Quadruple Aim: Working Together, Achieving Success*

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# The MHS Mission



“... America has given us a humbling responsibility: The care of our country’s fighting forces ...” – *MHS Strategic Plan*



# The MHS Mission



Provide optimal Health Services in  
support of our nation's military mission  
– anytime, anywhere

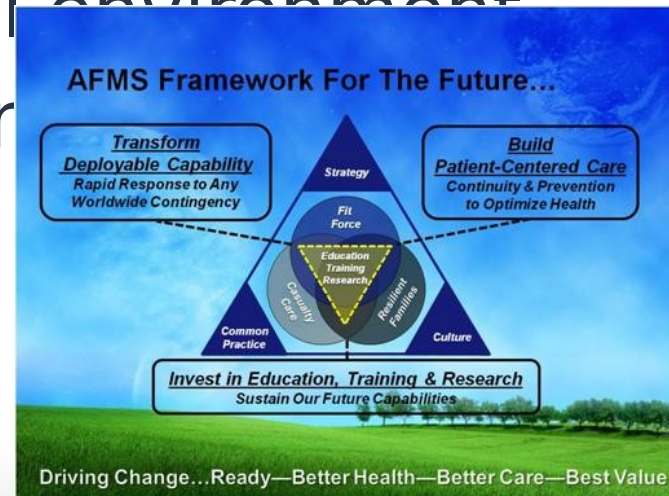


# The Challenge



- We have great wounded warrior success rates, but how do we do it better?
  - Limited clinical experiences in many MTFs
  - Constrained fiscal environment

- Information Research



# Paradigm Shifts



- “Changing the way we think and act” to achieve breakthrough performance

## Old Paradigm

Why should we...

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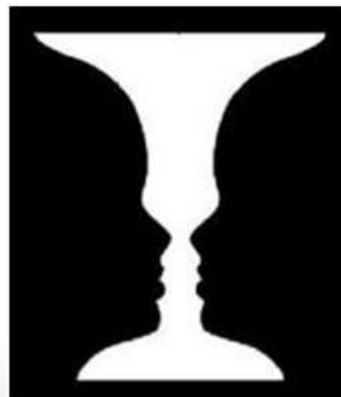
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## New Paradigm

Why couldn't we

Data sharing

Joint





# Achieving the Quadruple Aim



- Could we enhance training for war skills care by partnering with experts?
  - Innovative ideas generated during nursing research led by Col Elizabeth Bridges
    - Knowledge/skills related to burn care is lacking
    - Use of simulators to enhance trauma skills training
    - Ability to obtain tele-presence consultation to meet need



care via tele-  
pathway to meet

# Partnerships Enable Innovation



- How might we partner with experts?
  - Cols Sherrill Smith, Rose Durning, USAFR, NC
    - Led major groundwork for remote presence readiness training; first tried at LRMC
  - Debi Sampsel, Executive Director, Nursing Institute of West Central Ohio
    - Used InTouch RP-7® Remote Presence Robot in research



# Partnerships Enable Innovation



- Optimal Resource: U.S. Army Burn Center
  - Maj (P) Kevin Chung
    - U.S. Army Institute of Surgical Research; InTouch® robot from pilot project through Telemedicine & Advanced Technology





# Relation to MHS Strategy



	Strategic Imperative	Exec Sponsor	Performance Measure	Development Status	Last Quarter	Current Performance	Change	FY2010 Target	FY2011 Target	FY2012 Target	FY2014 Target	Strategic Initiatives
Readiness	Ensure Individual and Family Medical Readiness	FHPC	Individual Medical Readiness		71%	74%	+3%	80%	81%	82%	85%	IMR programs (e.g., addressing dental class 4, overdue PHAs, etc.)
		TBD	Measure of Family Readiness (i.e., PHA for families)		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Enhance Psychological Health & Resiliency	FHPC	PTSD Screening, Referral and Engagement (R/T)		44%/69%	48%/72%	+4/+3%	40%/65%	50%/75%	50%/75%	50%/75%	Psychological Health
		FHPC	Depression Screening, Referral & Engagement (R/T)		60%/73%	62%/74%	+2/+1%	40%/65%	50%/75%	50%/75%	50%/75%	
Population Health	Engage Patients in Healthy Behaviors	CPSC	MHS Cigarette Use Rate (AD 18-24)		22%	27%	-5%	20%	19%	18%	16%	Healthy Behaviors/Lifestyle Programs
		CPSC	Prevalence of Obesity Among Adults / Adolescents & Children		-	26%/9%	-	-	24%/8%	21%/7%	15%/5%	
		CPSC	HEDIS Index – Preventive Screens		12	12	-	12	13	13	14	
Experience of Care	Deliver Evidence-Based Care	CPSC	HEDIS Index – Adhering to Evidence Based Guidelines <i>(Include additional disparity measure)</i>		8	8	-	8	8	9	10	Evidence Based Care
		CPSC	Overall Hospital Quality Index (ORYX) <i>(Include additional safety measure)</i>		87%	90%	+3%	88%	89%	90%	92%	
		CPSC	Antibiotic Received within 1 Hour Prior to Surgical Incision		88%	92%	+4%	95%	100%	100%	100%	Wounded Warrior Programs
	Excel in Wounded Warrior Care	CPSC	MEBs Completed Within 30 Days		30%	52%	+22%	80%	60%	TBD	TBD	Disability Evaluation System Redesign
		CPSC	Favorable MEB Experience Rating		46%	59%	+13%	45%	65%	70%	75%	
		CPSC	Care Coordination	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Ensure Access to Care	JHOC	Primary Care 3 <sup>rd</sup> Available Appt. (Routine/Acute)		-	69%/51%	-	90%/75%	91/68%	92%/70%	94%/75%	Patient Centered Medical Home
		JHOC	Getting Timely Care Rate		74%	77%	+3%	78%	78%	80%	82%	
		JHOC	Potential Recapturable Primary Care Workload for MTF Enrollees		-	29%	-	29%	26%	24%	22%	
	Promote Patient-Centeredness	JHOC	% of Visits Where MTF Enrollees See Their PCM		45%	44%	-1%	60%	60%	65%	70%	
		JHOC	Satisfaction with Health Care		59%	60%	+1%	60%	61%	62%	64%	
	Per Capita Cost	Manage Health Care Costs	CFOIC	Annual Cost Per Equivalent Life (PMPM)		10%	7.1%	-2.9%	6.1%			
CFOIC			Enrollee Utilization of Emergency Services		72/100	45/100*	-	35/100	35/100	30/100	25/100	
Learning & Growth	Enable Better Decisions	CPSC	EHR Usability		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	EHR Way Ahead
	Foster Innovation	CFOIC	Effectiveness in Going from Product to Practice (Translational Research)		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Centers of Excellence
	Develop Our People	CFOIC	Human Capital Readiness / Build Skills & Currency	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
		CFOIC	Primary Care Staff Satisfaction		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	BRAC / Facility Transformation

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# The Link



- Telemedicine technology enables e-learning
  - Remote Presence Robot at USAISR transmits to video teleconference to



# The Link



- Making it happen at US Army Burn Center, 1,300 miles away; unique distance learning
  - C.D. Peterson, LPN, Wound Care Specialist
  - Maj Michael Pleuger, Jr., OIC Clinical Education, USAISR

ing, Medical Intensivists



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# Enhanced Learning



- Real-time observation of burn therapy x 2/mo
  - Kiley Gerritsen, Teresa Millwater at WPAFB
  - Visualization of various injuries/stages of Rx



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# Enhanced Learning



- Combined learning modes
  - Joint Theater Trauma System Burn Care CPG
  - USAISR burn wound management slides
  - Human patient simulators for skills



# Results



- Addresses research-identified training needs
- Real-time interaction with experts w/o travel
- Facilitates interaction in joint environment prior to deployment, w/o travel
- Enhances grasp of devastating burn injuries and complex, lengthy treatments



# Recommendations



- Conduct more robust research to define effectiveness of training
- Incorporate additional skills for training
- Encourage similar links with other MTFs
- Explore links with civilian centers
- Consider use of web-cam device for similar training without use of robot
- Incorporate additional specific objectives in conjunction with hands-on simulator training

# Possible Applications



- Possible use of links in deployed settings
- Potential for tailored use in Medical Interagency Satellite Training (MIST) 
- Possibility of replacing existing training using similar type of distance learning 
- Complement with use of virtual reality/avatar technology, modeling & simulation evolution

# Questions



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